

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2464 - SB 2571

March 24, 2014

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the Shelby County legislative body to increase fees county Court Clerks and the county Sheriff are entitled to charge to an amount not to exceed 20 percent of the maximum allowable amount otherwise established by Tenn. Code Ann. Title 8, Chapter 21. Authorizes the Shelby County legislative body to increase the litigation tax imposed to an amount not to exceed 20 percent of the maximum allowable pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-4-602.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Revenue – Exceeds \$5,000/Permissive

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. Title 8, Chapter 21, Part 4 fees charged by clerks of court range from \$7 to \$300. A maximum increase of 20 percent would result in a range from \$8.40 ($\$7.00 \times 120\%$) to \$360 ($\$300 \times 120\%$), an increase ranging from \$1.40 to \$60 per instance.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §8-21-901, fees charged by the Sheriff range from \$2 to \$100. A maximum increase of 20 percent would result in a range from \$2.40 ($\$2 \times 120\%$) to \$120 ($\$100 \times 120\%$), an increase ranging from \$0.40 to \$20 per instance.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §67-4-601, litigation taxes charged range from \$10 to \$25. A maximum increase of 20 percent would result in a range from \$12 ($\$10 \times 120\%$) to \$30 ($\$25 \times 120\%$), an increase ranging from \$2 to \$5 per instance.
- Due to multiple unknown factors, such as the extent of any increase enacted by the legislative body, the number of instances in which each fee will be assessed, a precise permissive increase in local government revenue cannot be determined; however, it is reasonably estimated to exceed \$5,000.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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